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STILWELL PROVIDING ANSWERS TO SOME MEDICARE PART D QUESTIONS

INDIANAPOLIS- The new Medicare prescription plans that are being offered are confusing to most seniors. State Rep. Russ Stilwell (D-Boonville) has information booklets available free of charge in his Statehouse office for everyone who feels bewildered by these new federal plans. The information within answers questions regarding enrollment, eligibility and coverage.

The new Medicare prescription plan went into effect on January 1 for all Medicare eligible people across the country. This plan allows participants to choose coverage based on whether or not the drug they take is covered under the specific plan. The participants need to check their drugs against the list of covered drugs on the plan to decide which plan to choose.

"With so many insurance companies offering different coverage people need to know the answer to their questions in order to make a good decision regarding their medication," Stilwell said. "The names of drugs alone are confusing enough. It is time to provide seniors with helpful information to make sure they are choosing the right plan," he continued.

The information booklet includes advice about how to choose the best plan available to them. The information also answers questions about having both Medicare and Medicaid. The Medicaid prescription coverage may cover prescriptions that the new prescription plan does not cover.

To order this publication contact Stilwell's office at the Statehouse by calling 1-800-382-9842, emailing the lawmaker through his website at <a href="www.in.gov/H74">www.in.gov/H74</a> or writing to State Rep. Russ Stilwell, 200 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

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